

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Starr Elementary Anderson 3

Grades: K-5 **Enrollment: 433**

Principal: Melissa Davis

Superintendent: Gail Southard, Interim Superintendent

Board Chair: Larry Holbrook

PERFORMANCE

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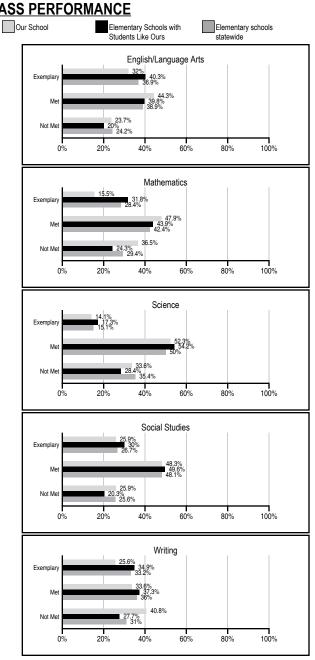
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
10	25	49	2	0

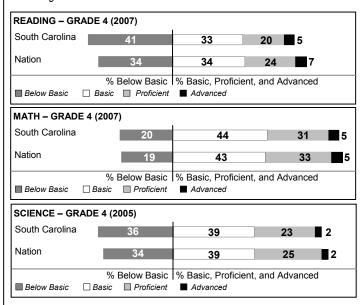
^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.





NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=433)				
Retention rate	2.5%	Down from 7.3%	2.0%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.3%	Up from 95.9%	96.2%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	14.2%	Up from 11.9%	11.9%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	10.0%	Up from 9.6%	8.1%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	1.9%	No Change	0.4%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=30)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	43.3%	Down from 48.9%	58.7%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	93.3%	Up from 83.0%	84.4%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	3.3%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.2%	Down from 93.2%	87.3%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	94.5%	Up from 94.0%	95.3%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$44,417	Down 2.5%	\$46,773	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	15.6 days	Down from 19.9 days	11.6 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	18.2 to 1	Down from 19.8 to 1	19.2 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.8%	Up from 88.6%	90.4%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.9%	Down from 100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,464	Up 0.5%	\$6,989	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	70.0%	Down from 70.8%	69.3%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	67.1%	Up from 66.0%	64.1%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met * Length of contract = 185+ days	100.0%	Up from 84.2%	100.0%	100.0%

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	33	83	64
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93.9%	92.8%	84.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	93.9%	91.5%	95.2%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	97.0%	84.3%	89.1%

^{*}Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The 2008 – 2009 school year at Starr Elementary has been extremely motivating for all our school members. Our focus has been to maintain our high expectations. The mission of Starr Elementary, a rural community school dedicated to developing the highest potential of each child, is to prepare all students to be responsible, self-motivated life-long learners by fostering parental involvement, embracing diversity, and providing challenging, accountable, and innovative educational opportunities in a safe and caring atmosphere.

We are very proud of the accomplishments of our students. They work extremely hard as seen in their achievements, including a student who received the Governor's Citizenship award, a student who received the GAMAC poetry award, and another student who won first place in the Martin King Luther Contest sponsored by Clemson University. We also recognize our students with awards such as Terrific Kids, Honor Roll, Attendance Awards, Accelerated Reader Awards, and the STARR Student Award.

The faculty and staff continue to model being life-long learners as they continue to expand their content knowledge and teaching skills. They are committed to providing our students with exciting and motivating learning experiences.

Special recognition goes to Mrs. Susan Mapp who was selected by her peers as the Starr Elementary School Teacher of the Year.

Valerie Neal, Principal Melissa Davis, SIC Chair

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available.